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SUBJECT: NPT EXPORTERS COMMITTEE: SOVIET VIEWS

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1. IN ABSENCE SOVIET AMBASSADOR ARKADIEV, MISOFFS MET MARCH 27 WITH FOUR OTHER MEMBERS SOVIET MISSION TO INFORM THEM OF RESULTS NPT EXPORTERS MEETING REPORTED REFTEL.

2. WE TOLD THEM MEETING HAD BEEN ENTIRELY DEVOTED TO EXAMINATION AND DISCUSSION OF SOVIET PROPOSALS FOR ADDITIONS TO AND CLARIFICATION OF COMMITTEE'S NUCLEAR EXPORT TRIGGER LIST. HOWEVER, FEW DELEGATES HAD INSTRUCTIONS AND DECISION ON RESPONSE TO SOVIETS PUT OFF UNTIL NEXT MEETING MAY 16. ONLY SPECIFIC DECISION MADE WAS UNANIMOUS AGREEMENT TO DELETION OF LAST SENTENCE OF PARA 1 OF ANNEX B TO ZC(72)/25, AS REQUESTED BY SOVIETS. MANY MEMBERS HAD EXPRESSED GREAT INTEREST IN LEARNING SOVIET POSITION ON ( A ) EXCHANGE OF INFORMATION WITH COMMITTEE MEMBERS ON THEIR EXPORTS OF TRIGGER LIST ITEMS AND ( B ) PARTICIPATION IN

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REVIEW OF TRIGGER LIST SCHEDULED FOR SEPTEMBER 1974. MEMBERS INDICATED THEIR WILLINGNESS ACCEPT SOVIET PROPOSALS WOULD BE FAVORABLY INFLUENCED BY SOVIET AGREEMENT TO THOSE TWO POINTS.

3. SOVIET MISSION TURNED THAT COIN OVER. THEY SAID MOSCOW WAS CONTINUING STUDY OF ENTIRE EXPORTERS COMMITTEE QUESTION AND ITS WILLINGNESS COMMIT ITSELF TO ENTIRE PACKAGE OF PROCEDURES AND EXCHANGES WOULD BE INFLUENCED BY COMMITTEE' S ATTITUDE TOWARD SOVIET PROPOSALS ON TRIGGER LIST. ( THIS WAS, IN FACT, WHAT WE HAD WARNED COMMITTEE SOVIET RESPONSE WOULD BE.) THEY DID ASK WHETHER EXPORT INFORMATION COULD BE COMMUNICATED TO IAEA DIRECTOR GENERAL WITH REQUEST THAT HE COMMUNICATE IT TO INTERESTED STATES, AND WE SAID WE SAW NO REASON WHY NOT: IMPORTANT THING WAS NOT PROCEDURE BUT GETTING NECESSARY INFORMATION.

4. WE MENTIONED THAT SOME MEMBERS HAD SUGGESTED POSSIBILITY OF MOVING AHEAD WITH ANNEX B MEMORANDUM ( NUCLEAR MATERIALS), SINCE EVERYONE NOW AGREED ON IT, WHILE DISCUSSION OF ANNEX A ( EQUIPMENT AND NON- NUCLEAR MATERIALS) CONTINUED. WE MADE CLEAR THIS NOT US PROPOSAL. SOVIETS REPLIED MEMORANDA WERE CLOSELY RELATED AND DIFFICULT CONSIDER THEM SEPARATELY.

5. WE THEN CHANGED SUBJECT TO INFORMAL WORKING GROUP ON MODEL PROVISIONS OF SAFEGUARDS AGREEMENTS WITH NON- PARTIES TO NPT. WE TOLD SOVIETS THIS GROUP HAD MET MARCH 20 WITH MEMBER OF IAEA LEGAL DIVISION ( RAMES) AND HAD ASKED HIM HAVE SPECIFIC LANGUAGE FOR PROPOSED PROVISIONS READY FOR GROUP' S NEXT MEETING APRIL 10. WE OFFERED SEE THAT SOVIETS GET COPY OF LANGUAGE IN ADVANCE OF MEETING, AND THEY EXPRESSED INTEREST AND APPRECIATION. THEY ASKED IF ACTING DIRECTOR LEGAL DIVISION ( STEIN) HAD MET WITH GROUP. WE SAID NO, BUT THIS WAS POSSIBILITY FOR APRIL 10. THEY THEN ASKED IF WE WOULD OBJECT IF " SOVIET REPRESENTATIVE IN LEGAL DIVISION", BORIS NETCHAEV, ATTENDED. WE SAID NOT AT ALL: ATTENDANCE OF AGENCY STAFF UP TO AGENCY.

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6. SOVIETS SAID IT WAS DIFFICULT FOR THEM BEGIN

CONSIDERATION OF LANGUAGE BEFORE SETTling TRIGGER  
LIST QUESTION. WE REPLIED BY STRESSING NEED TO  
AGREE ON NEW PROVISIONS BEFORE NEW AGREEMENT OF  
THE ATUCHA TYPE HIT THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS UNPREPARED.  
WE POINTED OUT ARGENTINA HAD DECIDED AWARD CONTRACT  
FOR ITS SECOND POWER REACTOR TO CANADA AND  
UNDOUBTEDLY WOULD ATTEMPT OBTAIN SAFEGUARDS AGREEMENT  
ON SAME LINES AS PREVIOUS ATUCHA AGREEMENT. IN END  
SOVIETS SAID THAT SEPARATION OF TWO EXERCISES  
(EXPORTERS COMMITTEE AND WORKING GROUP) WAS NEW IDEA  
THAT DESERVED THOUGHT. WE SAID WE HOPED SOVIETS WOULD  
ATTEND APRIL 10 MTG AND WE WOULD NOT RULE OUT POSSIBILITY  
THAT NUMBER OF IAEA MEMBERS COULD ASK STEIN TO  
MEET WITH THEM ON AGENCY PREMISES. ( WE HAD PREVIOUSLY  
ASCERTAINED THAT STEIN WAS WILLING DO SO.)

7. COMMENT: STEIN WILL NO RPT NOT BRING NETCHAEV TO  
MTG OR WILL WORKING GROUP MEET ON IAEA PREMISES  
UNLESS SOVIET MISSION AGREES TO ATTEND. WE BELIEVE  
THERE IS SOME POSSIBILITY OF THIS AS RESULT OF PROGRESS  
MADE IN THIS CONVERSATION. WE WILL FOLLOW UP WITH  
ARKADIEV ON HIS RETURN. PORTER

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